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Observer status for the Common Fund for Commodities in the General Assembly

Report of the Sixth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. The item entitled "Observer status for the Common Fund for Commodities in the General Assembly" was included in the agenda of the sixtieth session of the General Assembly at the request of the United Republic of Tanzania.

2. At its 17th plenary meeting, on 20 September 2005, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include the item in its agenda and to allocate it to the Sixth Committee.

3. The Sixth Committee considered the item at its 2nd and 6th meetings, on 4 and 10 October 2005 respectively. The views of the representatives who spoke during the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.6/60/SR.2 and 6).

4. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it a letter dated 18 July 2005 from the Permanent Representative of the United Republic of Tanzania to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/60/191).

II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.6/60/L.2

5. At the 2nd meeting, on 4 October, the representative of the United Republic of Tanzania, on behalf of Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Lesotho, Madagascar, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Spain, Uganda, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United Republic of Tanzania, subsequently joined by Angola, Botswana, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Costa Rica, Germany, Pakistan, the Republic of Korea and the Sudan, introduced a draft resolution entitled "Observer status for the Common Fund for Commodities in the General Assembly" (A/C.6/60/L.2).

6. At its 6th meeting, on 10 October, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.6/60/L.2 without a vote (see para. 7).

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III. Recommendation of the Sixth Committee

7. The Sixth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Observer status for the Common Fund for Commodities in the General Assembly

The General Assembly,

Wishing to promote cooperation between the United Nations and the Common Fund for Commodities,

1. *Decides* to invite the Common Fund for Commodities to participate in the sessions and the work of the General Assembly in the capacity of observer;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take the necessary action to implement the present resolution.